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Applicants: Karandikar et al.
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For: Low CTE Metal-Ceramic Composite Articles, and Methods for Making Same

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SECOND AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In regard to the Final Office Action dated June 16, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Please enter Applicants' **Amendments to the Claims**, which begin on page 2 of this letter.

Applicants' **Remarks** follow on page 5 of this paper.

A **Declaration** follows page 8 of this paper, as an Appendix.

This reply is being submitted in connection with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Applicants respectfully request that the prior Amendment After Final dated September 16, 2005, not be entered, and that the finality of the Office Action be withdrawn. Concurrent with this paper, Applicants are also submitting a petition and fee for a two-month extension of time.